Uncle Sam Says

When you sign up to buy U. S. Savings Bonds regularly each payday through the Payroll Savings Plan your company operates you're actually adding to your "take-home savings"! You see, Savings Bonds will pay you back $4 for every $3 you invest today—that's EXTRA dollars for you and your family to spend, ten years from now.

U.S. Treasury Department

Gladstone

Gladstone, Dec. 19.- Miss Anne E. Taylor, a student at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, attended the dance at the U. S. Naval Academy the past week-end.

Mrs. E. R. Hammersley, Mrs. R. W. Poindexter and Mrs. F R Gwaltney are in Richmond.

The annual Christmas party was held here Wednesday by the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McAlister are spending the holidays in Jacksonville, Florida.

Dark tobacco markets close for Christmas holidays.

MONROE LODGE

Monroe Lodge No. 301, A. F. & A. M., meets the second Monday of every month in their hall at Appomattox, at 8:00 P. M. Visiting brothers welcome.

Class at 7:30 P. M. Thursday.

Franklin Marshall, W. M.

Special Hunting Season

The six-day open season, Dec. 5-10 in three State forests drew 382 hunters, while 25 deer and a fine bag of other game were taken.

A Troutville sportsman killed the biggest deer, a 17-point buck, at the Appomattox - Buckingham forest. He was Charles Smith.

During the period 280 hunters appeared at the Appomattox - Buckingham forest.

Three-Year-Old Bit Gets False Teeth in Britain

LONDON.—A three-year-old girl has been fitted with a set of false teeth under Britain's national health plan.

Dentists said the child, Anne Smith, of Birely, was the youngest person in Britain so equipped. The child's own teeth got bad and caused her much trouble, so doctors said they had to come out.

Anne will have to wear the false teeth, adjusted about every six months to fit her growing jaws for seven years. By that time, say the dentists, she will have her own second set of real teeth.

Stonewall

Stonewall, Dec. 19.- All of the children and old folks, too, are beginning to feel Christmas in their bones and hunting a pair of stockings without a hole in the toe to hang up for Santa.

We want to wish our good Editor a very happy birthday on Wednesday, December 21, and that he may see many more just as happy. Also wish he and his "better half" a Merry, Merry Christmas and a New Year full of gladness and happiness.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Irby Wheeler isn't so well at this time and we hope she will soon be well and out again, for she is missed by her friends.

Mrs. Lucy Sisson and son, of Richmond spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Parks Jennings and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Carson and family, of Roanoke one, he week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson.

We want to extend to the Weekley family our deepest sympathy in the loss of a dear loved one, their father, Mr. Alex Weekley.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burnette and children, of Lynchburg and Aubrey Lee Burnette, of Roanoke spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. Rufus Burnette.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Collins, of Lynchburg and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Dickerson, of Spout Spring, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell.

All the churches of our community are having Christmas trees and entertainments for the Sunday Schools. Hebron had one on Sunday morning. Trinity had theirs Sunday night and Bethel on Monday night. Hebron will also have a play next Friday night at the church.

Miss Annie Alvis, of Richmond, Ky. has arrived to spend the holidays with her brother, John Alvis, Jr., and also other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick had as their guests Sunday Mr and Mrs. Henry Beard and son; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Cyrus and Hurbert Cyrus.

Dark tobacco markets close for the holidays.

Yesterday was Stalin's birthday.

Attend some church this Sunday.

Yuletide Greetings

● Naturally, there is a Santa Claus---just as naturally as there are children No one even doubts that any more Just give way to the spirit of the season and your share of joy will come.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS and BEST WISHES FOR 1950

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ANNUAL REPORT OF VA. GAME COMMISSION

Virginia's sportsmen paid more than $1,100,000 into the State Treasury during the last fiscal year in the form of license fees and penalties, but not all it remained in the coffers of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Operations of the commission — game wardens and supervisors — imposed 523,087 licenses and killed 1,363 dogs, according to the annual report of the commission, made public by T. T. Quinn, the director.

Statistically otherwise, the commission counted a total of 8,722 convictions for varmint and sunday violations of the game and fish laws, and collected a total of $86,762.12 in fines and costs from the violators who were convicted.

The army of wardens and supervisors traveled a total of 2,656,730 miles during the year in their law-enforcing duties.

A breakdown of convictions for the various law violations showed 4,147 for violations of the dog law — mostly failure to buy tags and permitting dogs to run loose; 2,102 for violation of the game laws, and 2,365 for violating laws concerning fish and fishing.

License collections during the year averaged $1,008,163.75, but of this total $49,475 was refunded to the National Park Service to cover the special national forest hunting licenses issued by wardens.

Dog licenses aggregated $577,- — an amount paid by Virginians on a total of 429,660 pups. Eighty-five per cent of this sum, however, or $490,925.15 went back to the localities and the remaining $86,633.- 85 was kept by the State.

Bolsarians hang Kostov on treason charges.

Fire wrecks Spotsylvania's Zoan Church.

Girls in Danville join the bicycle safety league.

Try a Classified Ad.

Barometer Opens Parachute In Fixed-Altitude Test

STANSTEAD, ENGLAND. — A former paratrooper made a two-mile delayed jump here in the first field test of a new robot parachute designed to open at any chosen height.

A spokesman for the manufacturer explained the chute was worked by a barometer which sets off a spring and causes the canopy to pop open at the desired altitude. The altitude for opening is set in advance of the jump by a clock-work mechanism.

"There is always a danger that a pilot forced to jump at high altitude may pass out from lack of oxygen and fail to revive in time to pull his rip cord," the spokesman said. "With our device set in advance he can safely drop through the rarefied air, knowing his chute will open when needed."

The parachute used in the test opened on schedule at the fixed 5,000 feet.

Bill will be introduced in legislature to call constitutional convention on poll tax abolition.

RAT POISONING

TIME IS NOW

Rats, which eat millions of dollars worth of feed annually, can be controlled effectively from now through April by poisoning, says John Amos, ex-biologist at V. P. I.

He explains that during the cooler months rats have migrated to basements and outbuildings of farms and homes. Farmers can contact county agents for information on the most satisfactory poisons and how to use them.

Feed losses o rats, he said, can be figured with considerable accuracy.

In seven days, it was found the entire 100 pounds had been eaten by rats.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Nowhere in the world can these words be spoken with greater thankfulness than in America. And this has come to pass because our country was built on the ideals of freedom and peace and good will toward men.

Ours is a priceless freedom — to live, speak and worship according to our choice.

As we give thanks for our many blessings, let's each and every one of us resolve to resist with all of our strength those things that would destroy that freedom. And let us work together with unfailing devotion to build a finer, greater America, and a just and lasting peace among the peoples of the world.

In the age-old way the Norfolk and Western Railway and the Norfolk and Western Family wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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